Agreement with Erstwhile USSR Regarding Share Market

2822. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement was signed in December 1991, with erstwhile USSR with regard to Bombay and Moscow Share Markets;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the status of the agreement under the changed circumstances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b). According to the information furnished by the Stock Exchange, Bombay, a Memorandum of Understanding was entered into between the Bombay Stock Exchange and the Moscow Central Stock Exchange on the 13th December, 1991 to cover certain specific areas of mutual cooperation for setting up and making fully operational the Moscow Central Stock Exchange.

(c) According to the Stock Exchange, the status of the Memorandum of Understanding does not change as a consequence of the political changes in the erstwhile USSR.

DTC Services

2823. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether old D.T.C. buses are plying under 'Greenline Service', 'Limited Stop Service' and 'R.L. Service' at present; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not providing better bus facilities to the commuters even after charging more fare?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). New buses are deployed on 'Green Line Service' and relatively better buses are deployed on 'Limited Stop' and 'Railway Special' Services.

Export of Cotton/Cotton Yarn

2824. SHRI M.R. KADAMBUR JANARTHANAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the suspension of cotton/cotton yarn export announced in February is likely to affect our export earnings; and

(b) if so, how the Government propose to meet the deficit in export earnings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) and (b). Any marginal decrease in the export earnings on account of restrictions on export of cotton/cotton yarn is likely to be off-set by export of value-added items like fabrics and garments.

Widening of National Highways to Four Lines

2825. SHRIMATI D.K. BHANDARI:
SHRI DILEEPBHAI SANGHANI:
SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK:
SHRI SURAJBHANU SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of National Highways which have been developed to four lanes during the last three years, State-wise;